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## Testimony of the Judicial Branch Government Administration and Elections Committee Public Hearing March 6, 2023

## S.B. 1157, An Act Concerning Revisions to the Freedom of Information Act Concerning Employees of Public Agencies

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on behalf of the Judicial Branch concerning **S.B. 1157**, *An Act Concerning Revisions to the Freedom of Information Act Concerning Employees of Public Agencies*.

The bill adds a new subdivision (14) to specifically exempt judicial marshals employed by the Judicial Branch from having their home address disclosed under FOIA. This addition is unnecessary as Public Act 01-186 already created an exemption for judicial marshals by adding subdivision (10) which exempts <u>all</u> employees of the Judicial Branch. Judicial marshals are employees of the Judicial Branch for all purposes under statute. To identify them as a separate class of employees will result in needless confusion as to the employment status of judicial marshals.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.